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TITLE OF INVENTION: ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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### REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Claims 1-11 are allowed. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: regarding claim 1, the prior art does not suggest the assembly as claimed, including the combination of all the claimed elements, the combination including the first and second retention structures engageable at different angles and the pull tab positioning parts extending through the holes of the first and second housing as claimed. Regarding claim 8, the prior art does not suggest the assembly as claimed, including the combination of all the claimed elements, the combination including the first and second elongated housings and the pairs of retention structures which are assembled to each other mutually exclusively in two different respective orientations.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ross Gushi whose telephone number is (703) 306-4508. If attempts to reach the examiner by phone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Paula A. Bradley, can be reached at (571) 272-2005. The phone number for the Group's facsimile is (703) 872-9306.

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